

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 678
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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Lee Victory of Smyrna.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Lee Victory; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Victory was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Lee Victory served with acumen and alacrity as Superintendent of Maintenance for the city of Smyrna before his retirement, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and the citizens of Smyrna alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Victory was very influential in the growth of Smyrna, including serving as the town's only electrician and plumber for a time, organizing an annual fish fry that drew thousands, and nearly single-handedly building the Smyrna Recreation Park. In addition to his work for the city, Lee Victory also served as a County Commissioner for the 6th District, was a Road Board member, and was known as the unofficial mayor of Old Jefferson; and

WHEREAS, Lee Victory was an active and devout member of the Old Jefferson Church of Christ, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Victory was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Lee Victory enjoyed the loving companionship of Ruie Groce Victory before her passing and was the proud father of Billy, E.A, Kenneth "Coon", Eddie "Rat", and David "Rabbit" Victory; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Victory will be sorely missed by his grandchildren; Ruie, Therese, Brad, Matt, Marc, Mary Esther, Leigh Ann, Brian Keith, Barry, Robyn, Eli, Rebekah, and Elizabeth; and his great-grandchildren; Zakry, Ryane Lee, Chance, Parker, and Mary Leigh; and

WHEREAS, Lee Victory leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Lee Victory, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family and friends of Lee Victory.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.